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## Announcing Peavey Industries LP 2022 Community Agricultural Grant Recipients

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*Peavey Industries LP announces the four recipients of its annual Community Agricultural Grant*

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#### Peavey Industries Awards Funds to Four Organizations Through the 2022 Community Agriculture Grant

**Red Deer, Alberta** (October 12, 2022) – In March 2022, Peavey Industries LP opened the application period for its annual Community Agricultural Grant. Designed to address the vast and varied needs of communities anywhere within a 300km radio of a Peavey Mart, MainStreet Hardware, or ACE store, applications came in from initiative from British Columbia to Ontario.

When applications closed on May 31, 2022, Peavey Industries had received more than 200 applications from across the country for projects as diverse as our customers.

The four recipients for the 2022 Community Agricultural Grant are The Campus Food Bank Community Pantry, The Conservations Learning Centre's Cold Frame Project, The Kweseltken Project, and The Protecting Farmland and Natural Areas of Prince Edward County Project.

#### **The Campus Food Bank Community Pantry**

**Location:** Edmonton, Alberta

**Grant Amount:** \$10,000

**Scope of Project:** Located on the University of Alberta campus, demand for supplementary food hampers has increased by 150% over the course of the past year. The organization is now facing a space shortage that limits their ability to provide food to the people who need it. The community pantry pilot program will allow them to double their on-campus footprint while also providing more accessible (24/7) and discrete options for people using their services.

#### **The Conservation Learning Centre's Cold Frame Project**

**Location:** Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

**Grant Amount:** \$40,000

**Scope of Project:** Utilizing two large cold frames, the Conservation Learning Centre (CLC) aims to improve food security and agricultural awareness within their community. With this grant, they will purchase two 96' x 20' gothic cold frame greenhouses. The first will serve as a community garden and the second will be a devoted research and development space.

#### **The Kweseltken Project**

**Location:** Kamloops, British Columbia

**Grant Amount:** \$40,000

**Scope of Project:** In Secwepemc, Kweseltken means "All My Relations" and it is with the goal of bringing all the relatives in the Secwepemc nation together under one roof by sharing and trading food year-round that the Kweseltken Project exists. The Kweseltken Kitchen and Market, along with agricultural and business supports, helps to address barriers, encourage participation, and create an Indigenous agriculture sector that will increase community economic development, food sovereignty, and self-sufficiency.

## The Protecting Farmland and Natural Areas of Prince Edward County Project

**Location:** Prince Edward County, Ontario

**Grant Amount:** \$10,000

**Scope of Project:** Under the umbrella of the Ontario Farmland Trust, the goal of this project is to create a cluster of protected farms in Prince Edward County (PEC), Ontario to strengthen both the agricultural and natural land base within the region. With this grant, they will be securing protected status for the Bazett-Jones Family Farms, making it their second protected farm in PEC and increasing their total protected acreage in the region from 208 up to 413 acres.

Each year, applicants can apply for any funding amount up to the full yearly grant availability of \$100,000 for projects designed to address a current or imminent need within their community. From community garden projects to research funding, and from food security initiatives to creating safe spaces for people to come together, the Community Agricultural Grant creates an avenue to invest in the communities where we live, work, and come together.